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Dear Chairman Cohen Gresko and Distinguished Members of the Environment Committee,



We are writing in support of House Bill No. 5145 - AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF PORTABLE WASTEWATER CONTAINERS. We are seasonal campers at a private run campground in CT. We were told that we could no longer use our blue totes to empty black and gray water from our trailers. That forced us to pay fees that were not applicable before this change. We understand that the law has changed now so that only State run campgrounds are allowed to use the blue totes. Our feeling is that if it is good enough for the State run campgrounds, it should be good enough for those of us in private campgrounds who camp every weekend for 6 months of the year.

As we spend so much of our weekend outdoors we tend to be more environmentally conscious of our surroundings. We also know that this would lessen strain on both our pocketbooks and on the campground staff and their machinery. It is only fair that ALL campgrounds get to use these totes. What's good for one campground, should be good for all!

We wholeheartedly recommend that you pass House Bill No. 5145 - AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF PORTABLE WASTEWATER CONTAINERS.

Thank you for your anticipated consideration.

Sincerely,



Ray and Judy Smith